

Region, Division, and State Labor Force Participation Rates with Confidence Intervals, Their Relationships to the U.S. Rate, and Over-the-Month Rate Changes with Significance Indicators, September 2008, Seasonally Adjusted

Area	Labor Force Participation Rate	90% Confidence Interval	Higher/Lower than National Rate at 90% Confidence	Over-the-Month Rate Change	
				Difference	Significant at 90% Confidence
Regions					
Northeast	65.5	64.9 - 66.1		0.2	NO
Midwest	67.8	67.2 - 68.3	H	0.0	NO
South	64.8	64.3 - 65.2	L	0.0	NO
West	66.7	66.2 - 67.2	H	0.2	YES
Divisions					
New England	67.8	66.9 - 68.7	H	0.1	NO
Middle Atlantic	64.7	64.0 - 65.4	L	0.3	NO
East North Central	66.7	65.9 - 67.4		0.0	NO
West North Central	70.3	69.6 - 71.1	H	0.0	NO
South Atlantic	65.6	65.1 - 66.2		-0.2	NO
East South Central	61.6	60.6 - 62.7	L	0.0	NO
West South Central	64.8	64.1 - 65.6	L	0.1	NO
Mountain	67.9	67.1 - 68.7	H	0.2	NO
Pacific	66.2	65.6 - 66.8		0.2	NO
States					
Alabama	60.3	58.3 - 62.3	L	-0.2	NO
Alaska	71.0	69.0 - 73.0	H	-0.2	NO
Arizona	64.1	62.5 - 65.7	L	0.6	YES
Arkansas	63.1	61.5 - 64.6	L	0.2	NO
California	65.8	65.2 - 66.5		0.2	NO
Colorado	72.2	70.5 - 73.9	H	0.0	NO
Connecticut	69.2	67.8 - 70.7	H	0.2	NO
Delaware	65.7	64.4 - 67.0		-0.1	NO
District of Columbia	69.1	67.4 - 70.9	H	-0.1	NO
Florida	64.2	63.2 - 65.2	L	0.0	NO
Georgia	67.4	66.3 - 68.5	H	-0.3	YES
Hawaii	66.6	65.1 - 68.1		0.3	NO
Idaho	66.4	64.7 - 68.1		0.2	NO
Illinois	67.5	66.3 - 68.7	H	-0.3	NO
Indiana	66.5	64.8 - 68.2		0.1	NO
Iowa	72.2	70.9 - 73.6	H	0.1	NO
Kansas	70.7	69.3 - 72.0	H	0.3	NO
Kentucky	61.9	60.4 - 63.5	L	0.2	NO

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States -- continued					
Louisiana	62.6	60.6 - 64.6	L	0.1	NO
Maine	66.7	65.3 - 68.2		0.0	NO
Maryland	68.8	67.7 - 69.9	H	-0.3	NO
Massachusetts	66.4	65.0 - 67.8		0.0	NO
Michigan	63.0	61.6 - 64.3	L	-0.2	NO
Minnesota	72.2	70.9 - 73.6	H	0.0	NO
Mississippi	60.5	58.7 - 62.4	L	-0.2	NO
Missouri	65.9	64.3 - 67.6		-0.1	NO
Montana	66.5	65.0 - 68.1		0.2	NO
Nebraska	73.5	72.1 - 74.8	H	0.2	NO
Nevada	70.2	68.9 - 71.5	H	0.1	NO
New Hampshire	70.9	69.8 - 72.1	H	0.1	NO
New Jersey	66.7	65.5 - 67.9		0.1	NO
New Mexico	62.7	61.5 - 63.9	L	-0.1	NO
New York	63.3	62.5 - 64.1	L	0.4	YES
North Carolina	64.8	63.6 - 66.1		0.0	NO
North Dakota	74.7	72.8 - 76.5	H	0.4	NO
Ohio	67.3	66.3 - 68.3	H	0.0	NO
Oklahoma	63.5	61.9 - 65.0	L	0.4	NO
Oregon	65.5	64.3 - 66.8		0.2	NO
Pennsylvania	65.5	64.5 - 66.6		0.4	NO
Rhode Island	68.4	66.9 - 70.0	H	0.2	NO
South Carolina	62.7	61.5 - 63.9	L	-0.3	NO
South Dakota	72.8	71.4 - 74.1	H	0.3	NO
Tennessee	63.1	61.7 - 64.5	L	0.3	NO
Texas	65.6	64.8 - 66.5		0.1	NO
Utah	71.4	69.6 - 73.1	H	0.1	NO
Vermont	69.9	68.5 - 71.4	H	0.4	NO
Virginia	69.5	68.6 - 70.5	H	-0.1	NO
Washington	68.5	67.1 - 69.8	H	0.6	NO
West Virginia	55.7	53.8 - 57.7	L	0.4	NO
Wisconsin	70.2	68.6 - 71.8	H	0.3	NO
Wyoming	71.1	69.5 - 72.7	H	0.1	NO

NOTE: Rates shown are a percentage of the civilian noninstitutional population ages 16 and older. Data refer to place of residence.